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**Declaration in Support of Accompanying Petition to Make Special**

**Reason(s) III -Applicant's Health is Poor**

**IV-Applicant's Age is 65 or Greater**

In support of the accompanying Petition to Make Special applicant declares as follows:

1. I am the applicant in the above -identified patent application.
2. I have had three heart ablations and two cardiac versions within the past year.
3. I was 65 on: 1999 Mar.3.
4. While not included in my petition, this product can help people, trapped during a fire, escape, if there is an exterior opening available to them. In the event that terrorism takes a form of setting fires to apartment buildings, or college dormitories, this device could save lives.
5. I further declare that all statements made herein are true and are made with the knowledge that willful false statements are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application and any patent issuing therefrom.

Very respectfully,

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